

# Sailing 18 September 2016

## Spring Series FINAL

There was rain overnight and the wind was strong this morning. Apparently 4 Electrons turned up but didn't do much sailing.

The wind moderated and by the time we were to start racing it was quite a nice breeze though it was quite unstable with large wind shifts. At times the wind did die away but mostly it was good racing.



Kevin Webb won the first race with Reuben Muir second and Simon Adamson 3<sup>rd</sup>. Neil Purcell and Garry Irwin had collided and drifted off but they separated before grounding and could sail away from the shore.

Race 2 had Terry O'Neill taking a good sized lead and holding this through to the win. I had Reuben on my tail the whole race but made it to 2<sup>nd</sup> with Reuben 3<sup>rd</sup>.

I won race 3, again with Reuben chasing my tail. Neil getting 3<sup>rd</sup>.

On the final leg of race 4 I was leading Kevin at the back of the fleet. The leading group went to the left and needed to tack to port to get to the finish line. Kevin and I did a short tack just after the mark and turned to get to the line on starboard. The wind was dying, Neil made it to the line first, I forced Garry to tack but Kevin swept through to get 2<sup>nd</sup> and Garry was just a couple of inches ahead of me at the line.

Race 5 had Reuben getting a good lead (photo below), Neil 2<sup>nd</sup>, Kevin 3<sup>rd</sup>.

It was the B division boats all the way in the last race with Neil getting his 2<sup>nd</sup> win, Terry and Garry getting the places.

Neil and Reuben were top equal today on 13. I was third with 15.



## Spring Series 2016 Results

1 <sup>st</sup>	John Macaulay	40
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Neil Purcell	45
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Richard Plinston	56

## Divisional Series 2<sup>nd</sup> half 2016

A	Richard Plinston
B	Neil Purcell
C	Hans Koerselman

## State of the Pond

The pond was over the path today, partly because of the rain but also because the flap valves are open and high-tide is coming into the pond. The weir gates have not been fixed yet so the pond remains high. But it is getting saltier with an SG now of 1.010.



This Catamaran sailed around for a while and the inevitable happened.

## AGM, Newsletter articles, Proposals

It is not too late to get your proposals for changes or additions at the AGM, and not too late to submit articles for the Upwind Newsletter.

**AGM is 30 October 2016.**

Richard Plinston, President NZRYS.

## Next Week(s):

**September 25: Lay Day**

**October 2: Aggregate Match FINAL**

**October 9: President's Regatta**

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